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Stores flying flag for Queen's Jubilee

By DANIEL HOPKINS

Red, white and blue products have been flying off the shelves across East Lancashire in the countdown to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Old favourites such as Union Jack flags, bunting, brooches, and tiaras, are as popular as ever, with people inspired by the Queen's recent visit to Accrington and Burnley

However, anything and everything seems to be available in red, white and blue – from wigs, tutus, and feather boas, to egg cups, pillows and nodding bulldogs.

Blackburn Market stalls, and stores in The Mall, are all offering a range of products to celebrate the Jubilee.

Matt Cooper, manager of Debenhams, in Blackburn, said: "Our whole range of Jubilee products has been popular. We have had to keep restocking our ladies' and men's Great Britain fashion range."

An assistant at the store said the egg cups had been the most popular Jubilee item.

Meanwhile, staff at Blackburn Market stalls said elderly people had been their most frequent customers for Jubilee paraphernalia.

PARTY TIME: Market traders Lesley Hayhurst and Emma Scholes

Lesley Hayhurst, who works on the Octagon Card and Gifts stall in the market, said: "Union Jack flags, bunting and brooches have been popular with the elderly."

Staff at Claire's Accessories, in The Mall, Blackburn, said: "Tiaras have been popular with both women and men.

"All of the red, white and blue products have sold quite well."

Armed robbery hero receives bravery award

Accrington pensioner Derek Greenwood, 73, who confronted a knife-wielding robber, has been honoured for his bravery.

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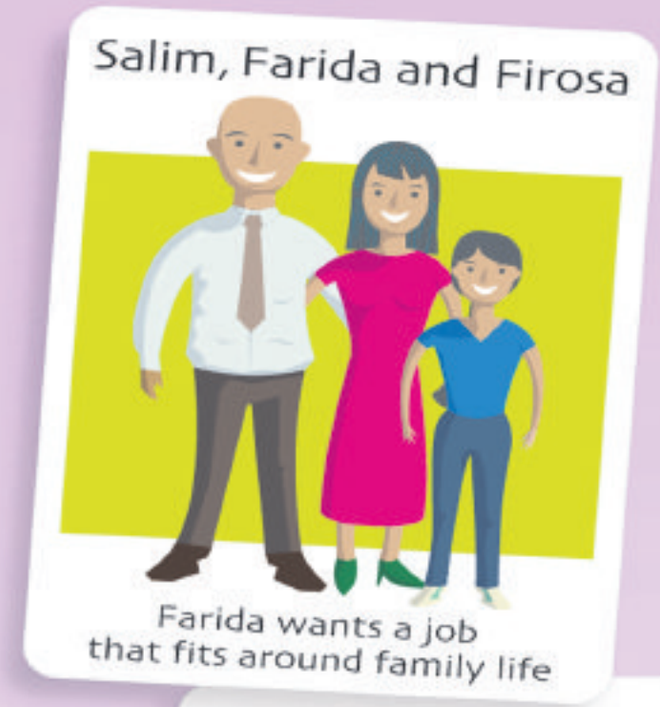

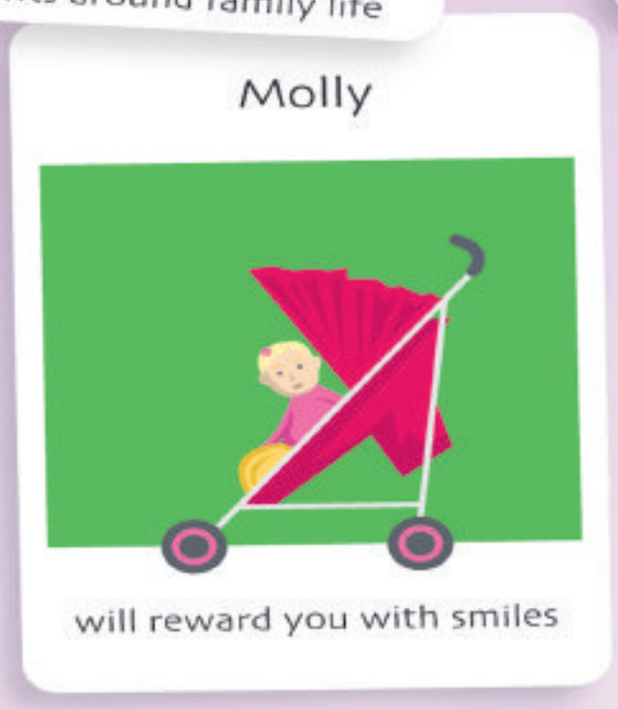

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Citizen In brief

Public thanks for gift of computer

A Darwen councillor has thanked a resident who donated a computer to be used by town councillors.

Mark Westall, of the St Peter's Residents' Association, offered to hand over a computer he had no use for to be placed in the town hall.

Sudell **councillor Paul Browne** said: "I want to publicly thank Mark as this will help out the town councillors, who get no expenses paid. I am chuffed."

PACT meeting

A Police and Communities Together meeting for people in Rishton will be held on Wednesday, June 6, from 6pm, at Copperhouse Children's Centre, in Station Road.

Picnic celebration

A Big Lunch is being held at Blackburn Cathedral to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The picnic is on Sunday, June 3, at 12.30pm, and will celebrate the town's diverse communities.

Robbery hero Derek honoured

By VANESSA CORNALL

'GREAT COURAGE': Derek Greenwood, 73, above, and, left, confronting knife-wielding Kieran Devlin, who was later jailed for robbery

A pensioner who confronted a knife-wielding robber almost 50 years his junior has been honoured at the Police Public Bravery Awards.

Petrol forecourt assistant Derek Greenwood risked his life when 27-year-old Kieran Devlin, who was wearing a mask, threatened his colleague at the Texaco garage, in Church Hall Lane, Accrington, on June 30, last year.

The 73-year-old grandfather took hold of Devlin when the girl behind the counter screamed. But he released his grip when he realised he was carrying a large kitchen knife.

Mr Greenwood then picked up a bottle of wine to defend himself if needed.

Devlin reached over the counter and grabbed £130 out of the till and ran off. Police arrested him after matching his fingerprints to a blue carrier bag he left at the scene.

Devlin, of Stanley Street, Accrington, was jailed for five years four months after pleading guilty to the robbery.

Mr Greenwood, who lives in Church, was presented with his award at a ceremony in Manchester.

He said: "I just acted out of instinct. Anyone who was working there would have done the same. You can't just walk away when something like this happens. There was no-one hurt, which was the main thing. I was contacted by the detective about the award and I was stunned. I didn't think I was so brave. I just did what I felt was right."

CCTV of the incident shows a hooded Devlin entering the service station brandishing a knife.

Mr Greenwood is seen confronting Devlin who thrusts the knife in his direction, forcing him to back off. Devlin then continues to brandish the knife as Mr Greenwood grabs a bottle of wine and chases him out of the shop. The awards were held as part of the Association of Chief Police Officers' conference.

Deputy Chief Constable Chris Weigh said: "Mr Greenwood showed a tremendous amount of courage and community spirit when faced with dangerous and unpredictable offenders.

"His brave and selfless actions in protecting other members of the public is commendable.

"It is fantastic to see their actions being recognised and they should be extremely proud."

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Parents urged to check free school meals rules

Parents in East Lancashire are being urged to check whether their children are eligible for free school meals as the criteria has changed.

Under the new rules introduced by government, couples must work at least 24 hours between them, with one earner working at least 16 hours a week to qualify for Working Tax Credit. Where only one person works, they must work at least 24 hours per week to qualify.

As a result, fewer couples can claim Working Tax Credit.

That is used as a marker for free school meals if their income is less than £16,190 per year.

Previously, parents who were working at least 16 hours could qualify for Working Tax Credit, which meant they were not eligible for free school meals.

For single parents, Working Tax Credit entitlement will remain the same.

Parents in the Ribble Valley, Hyndburn, Burnley, Pendle, or Rossendale, can call 01254 220711 for more information about their individual circumstances.

Gown fit for queen

By LISA WOODHOUSE

An Accrington seamstress has created a one-off masterpiece to raise money for charity.

Rachel White, 40, of Cornwall Avenue, Knuzden, has created this stunning Elizabethan-style gown to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Rachel, who co-owns The Sewing Room, in Abbey Street, Accrington, with sister Lindsey Redmond, was inspired by a piece of 1970s Union Jack fabric.

She said: "I wanted to make a dress for the Queen's visit for the window.

"I found the material in a drawer at home and was inspired by the flag.

"I thought it would be perfect for the occasion."

Rachel will raffle the dress on June 2 to raise funds for the Help For Heroes charity. To me the flag represents the amount of soldiers that died, or were injured, for their Queen and country," she added.

SEW INSPIRED: Top, Rachel in the regal outfit and, above, at work on her creation

The gown, which took almost three days to make, includes a Union Jack boned corset, with white lace trim, chiffon sleeves, and red, white, and blue ribbons and pearls.

On the bodice is a red rose and a dark blue flower, representing the Olympics, with a black middle, representing the Beefeaters. "I put it on and felt like a queen. It's beautiful to wear," said Rachel.

Raffle tickets cost £1, from the shop, and Accrington market.

Classic cars on display

Classic cars will be on show at Turton Tower on Sunday, June 10.

Lancashire Automobile Club will use the historic house as a control for the 50th Manchester to Blackpool Car Run.

The control will be situated in the car park.

Cars will be arriving from about 10.30am, and the event should be finished by 11.45am.

The public are invited to go along to see the classic cars, speak to the drivers, and take photographs of some rare vehicles.

The Victorian Kitchen Tea Room will be open from 10am, and the Turton Tower Museum, with its new gift shop, will be open from 12.30pm.

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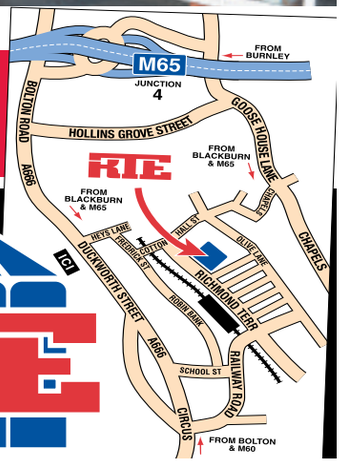

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Long-lost sisters finally reunited

By DAN CLOUGH

TEARS: Above, sisters Fiona, dark hair, and Maureen hug each other in an emotional reunion. Left, the sisters get to know each other

A woman from Blackburn was emotionally introduced to her sister for the first time – after more than 50 years.

Fiona Dunn, 59, was a teenager when she found out she was adopted, but didn't realise she had a sister, called Maureen, until she was 31.

With help from ITV presenters Davina McCall and Nicky Campbell, the sisters were finally introduced.

Further good news for Fiona, on the ITV show 'Long Lost Family', came as she discovered her mother, who she thought had died, was still alive.

During an argument, Fiona, who was brought up by her aunt, Edith, discovered the man she thought was her uncle, Bill, was actually her father.

Bill had had an affair with a woman called Pat, and Fiona, their baby, had been given away.

But it wasn't until she was 31 that her paternal grandmother let her in on the big family secret.

Fiona said: "I was round at my grandma's and she said, 'Maureen's coming for tea on Saturday if you want to come?'

"I said 'Who's Maureen?' and she said 'It's your sister'. I didn't know I had one.

"I said I didn't want to meet her. I guess it was jealousy and a deep feeling of rejection."

Three months after the revelation, Fiona's grandmother died, and it was at the funeral when she first clapped eyes on her long-lost younger sister.

She said: "For a fleeting second I thought she looked like me.

"But I didn't speak. I do regret it. If only I had gone to meet her, could I have met my mother?"

Years later, Fiona heard a rumour that her mother had died.

Maureen Livesey, who is widowed with two sons, now lives in Preston.

She found out about Fiona when she was 21 and had always wanted to meet.

She said: "I didn't think she wanted to meet me.

"It was our grandmother that made mum give her away.

"Mum lived at her house and she dominated her."

Speaking after the meeting, Fiona said: "I feel like a weight has been lifted off my shoulders.

"I feel like I could make her my best friend, as well as my sister.

"Maureen said 'Mum loves you, and I love you', and that touched my heart and I thought somebody did care for me."

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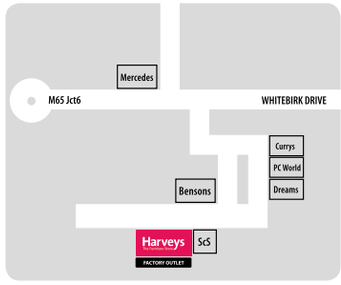

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Charity concert a tribute to Mim

By SIMONE YATES

Friends and family of a popular teenager who died from a suspected food allergy have given their backing to an awareness-raising campaign.

Francesca Sanna, from Oswaldtwistle, also known as Mim, died in 2007 at the age of 19.

Now those closest to Francesca aim to raise funds, through a charity concert, for the Anaphylaxis Campaign, which provides support for people with severe allergies.

The event has been organised by Lennie Herbert, a friend of Francesca's father, Franco, who owns the popular Italian restaurant in Union Road.

Lennie said: "Francesca was a beautiful girl and we want to raise money for the charity that will hopefully help others.

FATAL REACTION: Francesca Sanna

"If you can raise awareness of the condition, while making people smile, you are doing something right, and we want to do just that."

As a child, former Rhyddings Business and Enterprise School pupil Francesca suffered from eczema which involved her being dashed to hospital on numerous occasions. She died at home after suffering a particularly bad reaction.

Lennie said: "This concert will be a great night out. We really need raffle prizes, so if local businesses donate we would be grateful."

The concert, on Friday, October 19, at the Poplar Social Club, Wellington Street, Accrington, will feature The Houghton Weavers and a Michael Buble tribute act, all presented by Gavin Young.

Tickets are available from Francos, in Union Road, Oswaldtwistle; Poplar Social Club, Accrington, or contact Lennie on 01254 871020.

Citizen In brief

Weekly pub quiz

The Griffin's Head pub, in Burnley Road, Huncoat, holds a pub quiz every Wednesday, from 9.15pm.

The winner of the quiz gets eight free drink tokens, and there is supper served at half-time.

Lady bowlers

A Blackburn bowling club has opened its doors to new members.

Corporation Park Ladies need female bowlers, to play in the Blackburn with Darwen Ladies' Bowling League this year.

Jubilee celebration

A fun bowls match, bouncy castle, barbecue, and children's entertainer, will feature in a Diamond Jubilee family weekend, at Darwen Subscription Bowling Club, on Saturday, and Sunday, June 2 and 3.

Royal collection

Blackburn Museum and Art Gallery is appealing for memorabilia to feature in a Queen's Diamond Jubilee exhibition.

The museum will exhibit its collection of items marking royal visits to the borough, including cups and saucers commemorating the Queen's coronation, and her 1977 Silver Jubilee, produced by local parishes and organisations.

More details from Vinai on 01254 667130.

Plan for new homes

A plan to build terraced homes in Clayton-le-Moors has been submitted to Hydnburn Council.

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Citizen In brief

Will-making session for the over-sixties

Over-60s in Darwen are being offered the chance to make a will.

Age UK Blackburn with Darwen has joined with solicitors Darwen Law Chambers to offer a will-making session on Wednesday, June 27, at the chambers, in Railway Road.

Older people can see a qualified solicitor, who will take instructions for their will, and offer advice. This service costs £60 for a basic will.

Appointments are necessary. For more details, or to book, contact Age UK on 01254 773440.

Street booze blitz

Police say on-street drinking in Blackburn town centre is becoming a problem and extra patrols will be dealing with the issue in the next few weeks.

Log on to celebrations

Residents in Hyndburn are being urged to log on to find out more about summer events. Hyndburn Council has planned an entire 'Summer of Celebration', between the Jubilee this weekend and the Olympic torch coming to Lancashire. Details are on the council's website at www.hyndburnbc.gov.uk

Parking fees in town centre could be cut

By BILL JACOBS

Blackburn town centre weekend car parking charges could be cut, or scrapped, in the wake of Burnley Council's decision to waive the fees on 12 Saturdays a year to boost trade.

Council chiefs are looking at whether to bring back schemes to make Saturdays or weekend afternoons free, or ticket-free sessions, as they continue their efforts to make the town more attractive.

Dave Harling, executive member for regeneration, announced the car park charge review as the authority continued working on a string of major redevelopments to the town centre, including a £5million bus station revealed by our sister newspaper the Lancashire Telegraph last week.

Tony Duckworth, president of Blackburn Chamber of Trade, welcomed the news and said previous similar experiments had benefited shops, especially smaller traders.

Coun Harling said: "The council, with its town centre partners, is always looking at ways to help town centre businesses and, in the past, has run similar parking initiatives such as 'Free after Three' in the run-up to Christmas, and the first half-hour free parking on Paradise Lane to support King Street shops.

"Following the publication of the Mary Portas High Street report, the council is actively considering a range of initiatives, including improvements to car parking to further boost the on-going regeneration of the borough's town centres.

"We will be looking at what happens elsewhere, including Burnley. We will be looking at what effect it has."

Most town centre car parks in Blackburn, which include Penny Street and Fielden Street, cost £1 for an hour, and £1.20 for two hours, while The Mall roof car park is £1 per hour, £1.20 for two, and £2.30 for up to four hours.

In Burnley, charges in the centre are 80p for an hour, £1.40 for two, £2 for three hours, and £3.50 for three hours plus.

The new Labour administration in Burnley has announced the waiving of parking charges for the town centre on 12 Saturdays a year. Bolton on-street charges are £1 for 30 minutes, and £1.50 for an hour in the inner zone, and 60p for 30 minutes, 90p for an hour, and £1.50 for two hours, in the outer zone.

Preston car parks charge £1.20, or more, for an hour, £2 or more for two, and £3.50 or £4 for four hours, depending on location.

Mr Duckworth said: "Blackburn council is to be congratulated for looking at this.

"I think it is a wonderful idea. They have dabbled with this before and it benefited local small shops."

REVIEW: Council bosses are looking at whether to bring back schemes to make Saturdays or weekend afternoons free

Dance aid for disabled Enola, 8

Children from a Blackburn dance school are staging a show to raise money for a wheelchair for a disabled girl.

Students, aged from four to 21, from Dance Factory, based in York Terrace, will perform a variety of pieces, including an extract from the West End hit musical, Wicked.

The Danzwize show, at the Thwaites Empire Theatre, in Ewood, on June 22 and 23, aims to raise enough for a wheelchair for Enola Halleron-Clarke, eight.

The St Paul's RC Primary pupil lives with morquio syndrome, a rare birth defect which has left her with dwarfism.

Enola's mum, Donna, said a wheelchair would be vital when she goes to secondary school. For tickets, call 01254 685500.

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Citizen Leisure ... Crossword

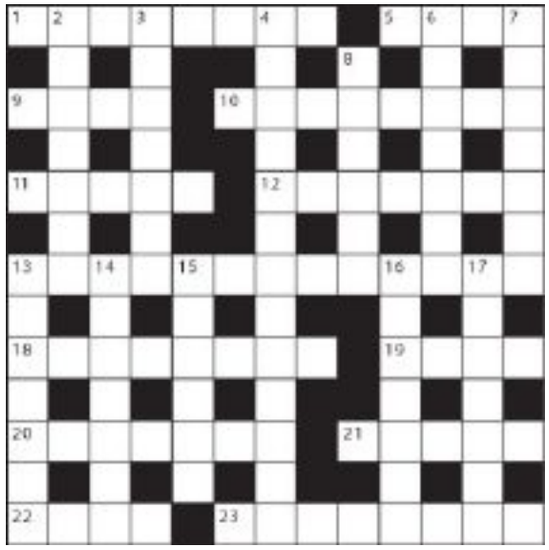
CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

1. Various needs are expressed in music (8)
5. Young bird lacking the knowledge to be fashionable (4)
9. Mail diverted to African state (4)
10. Musicians get together to make it up (8)
11. Open tarts, perhaps (5)
12. Mother goes first to point out part of the mast (7)
13. Minimum fare for those barred from free travel? (5,3,5)
18. Well brought up, but lacking refinement (5,3)
19. High spots of a European tour (4)
20. An old Empire sofa (7)
21. Seat of battle? (5)
22. A wrong to right (4)
23. Guiding line about two similar points (8)

DOWN

2. Once in the theatre he demands his money's-worth (7)
3. Time to take in a strange rite by the Red Sea (7)
4. Keep the matter dark? Not at all! (4,7,2)
6. Tabitha makes a place for animals and plants (7)
7. No quick-growing plant (7)
8. Give notice (6)
13. Don't keep a promise to move a car from the garage? (4,3)
14. It provides no latitude for the navigator (7)
15. Dark thoughts? (6)
16. No expert, but someone of a mature disposition (7)
17. Give reason for broken axle-pin (7)



QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

1. Scorn (8)
5. Pack (4)
9. Aid (4)
10. Last (8)
11. Prohibition (5)
12. Base (7)
13. Powers of memory (13)
18. Monument (8)
19. Intellect (4)
20. Repeat (7)
21. Viper (5)
22. Location (4)
23. Misanthropy (8)

DOWN

2. Work (7)
3. First-rate (3-4)
4. Rashly (13)
6. Bother (7)
7. Testimony (7)
8. Border (6)
13. Relics (7)
14. Storm (7)
15. Regular (6)
16. Wandering (7)
17. Perfect (7)

Solutions

Cryptic answers: Across: 1 Serenade; 5 Chic; 9 Mali; 10 Ensemble; 11 Start; 12 Maintop; 13 Bread and water; 18 Crude oil; 19 Alps; 20 Ottoman; 21 Sedan; 22 Tort; 23 Steering. **Down**: 2 Exactor; 3 Entrea; 4 Don't mention it; 6 Habitat; 7 Creeper; 8 Review; 13 Back out; 14 Equator; 15 Dreams; 16 Amateur; 17 Explain

Quick answers: Across: 1 Contempt; 5 Stow; 9 Help; 10 Rearmost; 11 Taboo; 12 Ignoble; 13 Retentiveness; 18 Memorial; 19 Mind; 20 Iterate; 21 Adder; 22 Site; 23 Trouble; 7 Witness; 8 Fringe; 13 Remains; 14 Tempest; 15 Cynicism. **Down**: 2 Operate; 3 Top-hole; 4 Precipitately; 6 Normal; 16 Nomadic; 17 Sinless.

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CitizenTime

Risking stand-up and story telling

Comedian Tim Vine talks about Not Going Out, and why not everyone has a story to tell.

60 SECONDS WITH ... TIM VINE

THE FIFTH SERIES OF NOT GOING OUT IS ABOUT TO COME OUT ON DVD. DOES IT FEEL LIKE A VINDICATION THAT IT'S STILL GOING STRONG AFTER BRIEFLY BEING CANCELLED? It does a bit, I suppose. We were all delighted when they did an about-turn and brought it back.

DO YOU THINK PEOPLE ARE IN THE MOOD FOR SOMETHING MORE TRADITIONAL? That could be a part of its success. I think that with the whole mockumentary, wobbly camera thing, we'd reached a point where everything seemed to be like that, and now it's swung back the other way to more traditional sitcoms.

YOU'VE RECENTLY BEEN ON TOUR WITH THE TIM VINE CHAT SHOW, WHICH SEES YOU INTERVIEWING MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE. ON PAPER, THAT SOUNDS LIKE A RISK... Never mind on paper, it felt like a risk on stage! I always wanted to do something like that where it's looser and more messing about, because my stand-up is planned and scripted. In some ways, it's less pressure because there's nothing to remember, I just bring someone up from the audience and start chatting.

DID ANY OF THE CHATS GO WRONG? We did say on the posters that everyone has a story, only to discover that no-one has a story at all. That was part of the joy of it. People would fill out a form with their name, what they did for a living, and if anything ridiculous had ever happened to them. So I'd bring someone up and say, 'It says here you broke your ankle falling off a quad bike, tell us about it', and they'd say, 'Well, I was on my quad bike, I fell off and I broke my ankle'. It turns out that what you think is just the title of a story is actually the whole story. But it's quite good fun when it looks like you're trying to get blood out of a stone.

What's on

theatre

LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN — Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester, until June 23.
BIRDS OF A FEATHER — The Lowry, Salford Quays, until Saturday, June 2.
THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE — Octagon Theatre, Bolton, Thursday, May 31 to Saturday, June 23.

comedy

BUZZ HAWKINS — Thwaites Empire Theatre, Blackburn, Friday, June 1.
GEORGE'S COMEDY CLUB — King George's Hall, Blackburn, Friday, June 1
NICKY HOBDAY — The Lowry, Salford Quays, Friday, June 1.
CRAIG HILL — The Lowry, Salford Quays, Saturday, June 2.

gigs

OTTERSGEAR — with India Mill Acoustic, Number 39, Darwen, Thursday, May 31.
WHEATUS — The Grand, Clitheroe, Friday, June 1.
THE CHARLATANS — Manchester Apollo, Friday, June 1.
LYNYRD SKYNYRD — Manchester Apollo, Saturday, June 2.
THE SMITHS LTD — The Grand, Clitheroe, Saturday, June 2.
THE STUMBLE —Tonic, Preston, Saturday, June 2.
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‘It’s music that keeps me young’

UK TOUR: Neil Sedaka

For almost 55 years Neil Sedaka has been at the heart of popular music. JOHN ANSON talked to the legendary songwriter who has announced he is to come to the North West in October

Having been responsible for more than 1,000 pop songs, many of which are regarded as some of the finest ever written, you could forgive Neil Sedaka for resting on his laurels.

But at 73, an age when most successful musicians are content to sit back and stare at their gold discs, Neil is full of plans for the year ahead. In October he will embark on a 10-date UK tour, including a show at Manchester’s Bridgewater Hall.

“There is no doubt that music has kept me young,” said Neil. “It is a very exciting thing to be able to reach people, to connect to them through your songs. It’s that wonderful feeling that drives me on.”

Songs such as Oh Carol, Breaking Up is Hard to Do, and Laughter in the Rain, have established Neil as one of the great songwriters. But it’s not something he takes for granted.

“The challenge of having a blank page in front of you can be frightening,” he said, “but it’s a challenge you have to rise to. Songs operate on three basic levels — the emotional, the psychological and the spiritual — and, as a songwriter, it’s your chance to get close to your audience.

“I have always been very personal about how I write. I write very much with my heart on my sleeve and I think it’s that emotional tone which people identify with.”

■ Neil Sedaka, Bridgewater Hall, Manchester, Wednesday, October 10. Call 0161 907 9000.

Cinema round-up

MEN IN BLACK 3 (PG) Boglodite assassin Boris The Animal (Jemaine Clement) engineers his escape from the Lunar Max high-security prison.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU’RE EXPECTING (12A) Kirk Jones directs this romantic comedy about five couples feeling the strain of impending parenthood.

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